## House Resolution No. 3226

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who have retired from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Poplar Bluff R-I School District lost a valuable member of its faculty in May 2004 with the retirement of Roger Strickland who devoted twenty-five years of his life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

**Whereas**, Roger Strickland served as a Physical Education Teacher and as Director of the Intramural Basketball Program for twenty-five years at Poplar Bluff R-I, where he was held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrated considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

**Whereas**, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Roger Strickland served in various teaching and coaching positions at Eugene Field Elementary School, Oak Grove Elementary School, and New Madrid County Central prior to assuming his responsibilities at the Poplar Bluff Fifth and Sixth Grade Center; and

Whereas, Roger Strickland watched his pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge he imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, so many young Missourians have left the classrooms of Poplar Bluff R-I fully prepared to face the challenges ahead as a result of the outstanding professional endeavors of Roger Strickland; and

Whereas, Roger Strickland has been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Linda Strickland, and one daughter, Jessica:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join the Poplar Bluff R-I School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Roger Strickland rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing him the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that he so justly deserves; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Roger Strickland, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by
Representative Gayle Kingery
District No. 154
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3226, adopted May 11, 2005.